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To: Monroe, Pamela

Subject: Antrim Wind Project

Dear Ms. Munroe,

As a resident of New Hampshire, I would like to express my overwhelming support for the Antrim Wind Project, SEC Docket 2015-02. As a young professional, it is of paramount importance to me that the Granite State embraces the economic and environmental benefits of clean energy. The well-sited Antrim Wind Project is an important contribution of clean energy to our state's portfolio and will help us meet our clean energy goals. I therefore implore the Site Evaluation to support the Antrim Wind Project.

Sincerely,

Amanda Hunt, Resident, Town of Raymond, NH

Hi Pam,

I understand that the Antrim Wind project is headed into deliberations in front of the SEC starting December 7th. I wanted to take a moment to write to you in support of this important clean energy project. My understanding is that from the beginning, this project has engaged stakeholders, listened to concerns and made concessions where possible. The project has tremendous support statewide. NH has limited energy resources, with the majority of energy being produced from the burning of fossil fuels. We now understand that this is not a sustainable approach to energy creation b/c of climate change, and it's not helpful to the NH economy to produce our energy using fuel that comes from out of state or from other countries. Antrim provides a unique opportunity to produce 28 MW's of clean, renewable energy right here in NH. It's exciting to me that this project makes financial sense without any incentives from the state of NH.

As is the case with projects of this scale, there will always be some amount of legitimate concern and also some amount of NIMBYism. My understanding is that this project has continuously rolled up its sleeves and worked with stakeholders to hear their concerns and make changes where appropriate. I feel that this is a very important project for our state. The scale alone is unique. The largest solar array in NH right now is 1MW, and there are only a couple of solar projects this size. Antrim provides our state with a unique opportunity to actually move the needle on clean energy in a substantial way. My concern is that if a project like this, which has acted responsibly and made concessions wherever possible, is not approved, it will send the wrong message to clean energy developers who are considering developing similar projects in our state. Thank you very much for taking the time to read this letter of support.

Thanks,
Joe Harrison

Dear Administrator Monroe, I am writing in support of Antrim Wind. I live in Holderness, NH and see the wind project to the west of Plymouth every day. I have quickly become used to the "look" and believe that we all need to become used to the "look" of clean energy. It's alot more beautiful than climate change, air pollution, water pollution, and the other environmental costs of traditional fossil fuel generated energy.

Thanks for your consideration.

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Good morning Ms. Monroe,

I'm writing to show support for the approval of the Antrim Wind Project. I'm a numbers and finance guy myself that happens to work in the environmental industry, and so I've always found the best way to evaluate any project or opportunity should be based on economics. Putting aside the conservation land that this project is permanently reserving, I support this project for the following reasons, to name a few:

- 1) The New Hampshire Electric Co-op has said themselves that they have some of the lowest electric rates in the region, and they have found it in their best interest to go ahead and agree contractually to purchase 25% of the energy produced from this system as it's in the best interest of their ratepayers. This represents approximately 4,000 homes that stand to benefit from cost-competitive and predictable energy rates.
- 2) Antrim Wind will become the #1 taxpayer to the town of Antrim by approximately double the 2nd highest taxpayer. The projected tax bill is \$324k in year 1 and \$8.5 million over 20 years.
- 3) Antrim Wind has agreed to make an annual contribution to the Antrim scholarship fund that will increase their annual budget by 25% to be used at their discretion.
- 4) This project will create 84 full time jobs during construction and 12 full time jobs during operations - this generates approximately \$53 million in economic benefit to the county and region.

Furthermore, looking into the future, wind energy projects are some of the lowest cost sources of new energy and highest tax paying entities in any community. The economic benefits provided by this project to the region could be repeated by other projects for the benefit of the state of NH.

Denying this project, which is well sited and incredibly economically beneficial would send a message to the rest of the industry that New Hampshire is simply not interested in both short and long-term economically beneficial opportunities.

This would be short-sighted for a state constantly looking for new tax revenue sources, and opportunities to support it's residents through reduced cost of living, high paying job growth, and a path for communities to generate new, significant sources of tax revenue to fund their budgets and community benefits.

Thank you for the time you've taken to read this - as a finance expert I believe unequivocally that this project is a win for the state, county and the town of Antrim.

Regards,

Jeff



Jeff Haydock
President + CEO, *ecoCFO*



Hi Pamela,

I am writing to show support for and encourage your department to approve the Antrim wind project. As a NH native and young entrepreneur, I am a huge proponent of clean energy and strongly believe, for a variety of reasons, it should remain a strong focus for our communities and country. After doing some reading on the proposed project, I strongly encourage you to approve it.

Thanks,

Patrick Jackson
Senior VP Project Development
SunRaise Investments llc

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to express my support for the wind project in Antrim.

My support is best summarized by George Bald who wrote in the NH Business review that "We must attract valuable economic investment to New Hampshire in order achieve our clean energy goals. To me, the model for smart growth should involve several components – broad local support, clear economic advantage and thoughtful environmental consideration. The Antrim Wind Energy Project excels in each of these categories."

NH needs to be willing to say "yes" to clean energy projects. Additionally, our state should value the will of the town.

Fears that the project will "go under" or that it wont be financially viable are unfounded because this project already has all the funds necessary to remove it when the time comes.

Clean energy is the future for much of our country and NH should not be an exception.

Pamela Bell
New Boston, NH